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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Sanctions the change of name of Vadigenahalli Town to "Vijayapura."

READ—

Letter No. M. 6. 398-434—47-48, dated 23rd April 1948, from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, forwarding with his remarks, the Resolution of the Vadigenahalli Minor Municipality in Devanahalli Taluk, passed on 31st December 1947 urging for reasons stated, the change of name of the Town to 'Vijayapura.'

2. Un-official Note No. L. Dis. C. 10. 4186—47-48, dated 25th May 1948, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, furnishing his remarks on the proposal.

ORDER NO. R. 2014-102—R.M. 93-47-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 1ST SEPTEMBER 1948.

Government are pleased to direct that, as suggested by the Town Municipal Council, the name of Vadigenahalli be changed to 'Vijayapura.'

SYED ABDUL ALEEM, *Rev. Secy.*

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Abolition of the levy and collection of Hullubanni in the State Forests.

READ—

Government Order No. G. 6590-1—Ft. 33-33-4, dated 28th March 1934, sanctioning the introduction of the levy of daily grazing fees at the revised rates on cows, oxen, buffaloes, horses and sheep throughout the State.

2. Letter No. 3518-21—R.A., dated 26th December 1947, from the Secretary, Mysore Legislature, forwarding a special Resolution passed by the Representative Assembly during its session in December 1947 to the effect that the system of levying hullubanni in the State Forests be abolished.

3. Note dated 22nd December 1947, furnished by the Chief Conservator of Forests on the subject.

No. A.F. 1322-33—Ft. 29-48-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 30TH AUGUST 1948.

The question of abolishing the levy and collection of Hullubanni from the raiyats who graze their cattle in State Forests has been pressed on the attention of Government almost at every session of the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council. At the session of the Assembly held in December 1947 as a special resolution urging the abolition of the system of levying Hullubanni in the State Forests was passed. Attention was also drawn to the matter at a session of the Legislative Council held in January 1948 by means of an interpellation and a reply was given by Government that the question of abolition of this levy was under their consideration.

The Chief Conservator of Forests has also brought to the notice of Government that hullubanni is not a compulsory levy and that it is collected only from those raiyats who chose to take their cattle to forest pasturage and the only for grazing outside the privileges conferred by the settlement that hullubanni is levied. The levy is a nominal one, intended more to regulate grazing than to be a source of revenue to Government. It is also reported that during 1946-47 the realisation from this source was Rs. 69,000 or 0.7 per cent of the total revenue of the District. The Chief Conservator of Forests is of the opinion that the abolition of this small levy, which does not press heavily on the raiyat, will lead to uncontrolled grazing in the Forests thereby depleting the fodder reserve and impairing forest conservancy. He, therefore, suggests that it is necessary to see that the policy of Government in this matter is in accordance with the minimum of injury and interference to the forest conservation.

Government have considered the matter in all aspects and are pleased to direct that the levy of Hullubanni (grazing fees) in the State Forests be abolished forthwith.